

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 321
ANSWERED ON 23/03/2026

STATUS OF EXPANSION OF CGD NETWORK

*321 # SHRI SANJAY KUMAR JHA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the expansion of the City Gas Distribution (CGD) network and the target of 1 crore PNG connections;
- (b) whether it is also proposed to expand the CGD network to Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 321 FOR REPLY ON 23.03.2026 REGARDING STATUS OF EXPANSION OF CGD NETWORK ASKED BY SHRI SANJAY KUMAR JHA.

(a) to (c) Providing Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections, establishment of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations and laying of pipeline infrastructure is part of the development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) Network, which is carried out by the entities authorized by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) as per their Minimum Work Programme (MWP) and techno-commercial feasibility. After completion of 12/12A CGD bidding round, PNGRB has authorized entities for the development of CGD network in 307 Geographical Areas (GAs), covering the entire mainland area for the development of CGD network across the country including Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities. The State-wise details of CGD network as on 31.01.2026 is at **Annexure**.

The number of domestic PNG (D) connections has increased from 22.28 lakh in 2014 to around 162 lakh as of January 2026. Similarly, the number of CNG stations has risen sharply from 783 to 8,616. The number of GAs authorised has also increased from 53 GAs to 307 GAs thereby covering the entire mainland area of the country including Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities.

Further, the length of operational Natural Gas Pipeline in the country has increased from 15,340 Km in 2014 to 25,923 Km as on September, 2025.

Progress of gas-based infrastructure at the country level since May 2014 is as under:

Parameters	2014	As on Jan 2026	Increase in %
No. PNG (D) Connections	22.28 lakh	162 lakhs	627%
No. of CNG Stations	783	8,616	1000%
Natural Gas Pipeline (Operational) in Km	15,340	25,923 (as of Sep, 2025)	69%
No. of GAs	53	307	479%
Consumption in CNG (T) and PNG (D), (MMSCMD)	8.55	~32	274%
Total Consumption in the CGD sector (MMSCMD)	14.97	44.54	197%

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 321 FOR REPLY ON 23.03.2026 REGARDING STATUS OF EXPANSION OF CGD NETWORK.

Progress of CGD network in the Country - as on 31.01.2026

State	PNG (Domestic)	CNG Stations
Andhra Pradesh	290491	216
Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka & Tamil Nadu	18863	52
Arunachal Pradesh	0	0
Assam	72279	38
Bihar	267945	203
Bihar & Jharkhand	14141	34
Bihar & Uttar Pradesh	53037	31
Chandigarh (UT), Haryana, Punjab & Himachal Pradesh	32634	36
Chhattisgarh	18177	60
Dadra & Nagar Haveli (UT)	14271	6
Daman & Diu (UT)	5353	5
Daman and Diu & Gujarat	10640	20
Goa	19824	15
Gujarat	3601678	1018
Haryana	517032	523
Haryana & Himachal Pradesh	335	12
Haryana & Punjab	3190	28
Himachal Pradesh	12765	20
Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh	0	0
Jharkhand	184069	125
Karnataka	563415	489
Kerala	140798	212
Kerala & Puducherry	12409	32
Madhya Pradesh	322753	374
Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh	0	9
Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan	1380	41
Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh	105	20
Maharashtra	4341307	1120
Maharashtra & Gujarat	233112	98
Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh	81	17
Manipur	0	0
Meghalaya	0	4
Mizoram	0	0
Nagaland	0	0
National Capital Territory of Delhi (UT)	1868099	511
Odisha	180725	155
Puducherry	0	10
Puducherry & Tamil Nadu	689	8
Punjab	121695	252

State	PNG (Domestic)	CNG Stations
Punjab & Rajasthan	32594	32
Rajasthan	473481	443
Sikkim	0	0
Tamil Nadu	117515	447
Telangana	261674	224
Telangana and Karnataka	142	13
Tripura	69176	30
UT of Jammu and Kashmir	0	3
Uttar Pradesh	2123499	1265
Uttar Pradesh & Rajasthan	29079	53
Uttar Pradesh and Uttrakhand	18077	40
Uttarakhand	81041	44
West Bengal	131184	228
Grand Total	16260754	8616

(Source: PNGRB / PPAC)